

REMARKS

The Applicants thank the Examiner for the interview that was held on August 7, 2008. The Applicants amended Claims 39, and 45, and canceled Claim 34 without prejudice or disclaimer, as agreed upon in the interview. In addition, the Applicants amended Claim 35 so that it depends from Claim 31 instead of now-canceled Claim 34. The Applicants also amended Claims 31 and 46 to correct typographical errors.

Accordingly, Claims 31-33, 35, and 37-46 remain pending for consideration.

The Applicants enclose a newly executed Terminal Disclaimer ("the Second Terminal Disclaimer") along with Exhibits A-E, which set forth the authority of the undersigned attorney to act on behalf of the Assignee. The Examiner informed the Applicants that a First Terminal Disclaimer filed on July 14, 2008, may not be accepted for alleged failure to establish authority to act on behalf of the Assignee. The First Terminal Disclaimer was accompanied by the \$130 fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(d). Accordingly, no fee is believed to be required for submission of the Second Terminal Disclaimer.

No Disclaimers or Disavowals

Although the present communication may include alterations to the application or claims, or characterizations of claim scope or referenced art, the Applicants are not conceding in this application that previously pending claims are not patentable over the cited references. Rather, any alterations or characterizations are being made to facilitate expeditious prosecution of this application. The Applicants reserve the right to pursue at a later date any previously pending or other broader or narrower claims that capture any subject matter supported by the present disclosure, including subject matter found to be specifically disclaimed herein or by any prior prosecution. Accordingly, reviewers of this or any parent, child or related prosecution history shall not reasonably infer that the Applicants have made any disclaimers or disavowals of any subject matter supported by the present application.

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Please charge any additional fees, including any fees for additional extension of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

Respectfully submitted,

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